Application No. Applicant(s) 10/087,909 USAMI ET AL. Interview Summary Examiner Art Unit Jerry A. Lorengo 1734 All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel): (1) Jerry A. Lorengo. (2) Mr. Jude Cooney. Date of Interview: 14 January 2004. Type: a) Telephonic b) Video Conference c) Personal [copy given to: 1] applicant 2) applicant's representative Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) Yes e)⊠ No. If Yes, brief description: Claim(s) discussed: 13 and 14. Identification of prior art discussed: U.S. Patent Nos. 5,878,662 to McCue and 6,038,971 to Fischer. Agreement with respect to the claims f) was reached. g) was not reached. h) ⋈ N/A. Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr. Cooney and the examiner discussed the claim amendments to applicant claims 13 and 14. The examiner agreed that the amendments appeared to differentiate the instant invention over the prior art of record but that a further search and consideration would be required... (A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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